"SCIENCE COURT"
About the Production Team

TOM SNYDER
Executive Producer/Creator/Writer

Tom Snyder received a B.A. from Swarthmore College and a Ed.M. from the Lesley Graduate School of Education before pursuing a career as a teacher of grades 4-8 science and social studies at the Shady Hill School in Cambridge, MA. During the last three years of his nine year stay at Shady Hill, he founded Tom Snyder Productions, an educational software company which is located in Watertown, MA. Tom is now the chairman and head designer at TSP with a number of best selling software and video products to his credit. He is actively sought as a keynote speaker at educational conferences, and over the past few years he has been a Visiting Faculty member at the Harvard Graduate School of Education where he has taught courses on the use of technology in the classroom. He is also the author of two books published by Addison Wesley, as well as many articles for various publications.

Tom is the Co-Creator and Executive Producer of "Dr. Katz: Professional Therapist," the first animated series to appear on Comedy Central. "Dr. Katz: Professional Therapist" has been called "a cartoon cross between 'Seinfeld' and 'The Bob Newhart Show'" by People magazine and "the best of the lot" [of new television series] by the New York Times. Most recently, the series was featured in Time magazine's Man of the Year Issue [best television of 1995] as "the year's best new sitcom." The series won a 1994 Cable ACE Award for Best Short Form Program, and Jonathan Katz won an Emmy for Outstanding Voice Over Performance. This year, the series won the Cable ACE Award for Best Animated Series.

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BONNIE BURNS - Executive Producer

Bonnie Burns has had a long and varied career in Hollywood working on such diverse projects as "Hee Haw" and "Don Kirshner's Rock Concert" to the Broadway production of "Sweeney Todd," for which she won a CableACE award as Best Producer. She has also been a production executive and was the executive producer for the launch of a new television network, now known as Comedy Central.

Six years ago she started her own personal management company which specializes in working with people with unique creative voices. She also continues to package and executive produce shows in which she has an interest.

DAVID DOCKTERMAN - Creator/Writer

David Dockterman, Ed.D, "Dock," received his B.A. and teaching certification from Yale University. He taught high school history for several years and then earned his Ed.D. at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Currently editor-in-chief of Tom Snyder Productions, Dock has co-designed and authorized numerous software packages and books, including "Great Teaching in the One Computer Classroom." He writes and speaks about technology and school reform and is a member of the Carlisle, MA, School Community.

BILL BRAUDIS - Creator/Writer/voice of Doug Savage

After 15 years of stand-up comedy, including numerous cable comedy show performances and three "Tonight Shows," Bill got his first taste of sit-down comedy (writing) as an assistant writer for the HBO Emmy award winning show, "Dennis Miller, Live." Then, after several appearances as a "patient" on Comedy Central's animated show, "Dr. Katz: Professional Therapist," Bill settled in as that award winning show's only staff writer. He also spent time as the original writer of the "Dr. Katz" comic strip, now syndicated in over 60 markets.

Bill is married -- five years if you count the last four -- and enjoys sports, some other things and writing about himself in the third person.

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